



Antone P. Starkey

December 29, 1915 - January 31, 2008

Antone "Tony" Starkey, of Hebron passed away on Thursday, January 31, 2008.

Tony was born December 29, 1915 in Chicago, IL to Paul and Diana Starkey. He was the Valedictorian of the Class of 1934 from Calumet High School and won the Purdue Club award as Outstanding Graduate. He married his sweetheart, Dorothy Eviosic on October 24, 1936.

Tony was retired from the Lake County Welfare Department in 1991 where he worked since 1949 as Office Services Supervisor. Founder & Editor for 45 years of the Welfare Department News Letter, The "DPWETTE". He was active in Scouting for over 30 years. He led the following Scout Expeditions; Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico; Northern Wisconsin and Michigan at Region 7 Canoe Base. He was an Explorer Scout Advisor for 15 years and Scout Master for 4 years. He was founder and organizer of the Potowatomi Trail that has been hiked by thousands of Boy Scouts from all over the country. He was founder of the Golden Otter Service Medal for the Order of the Arrow. He was Lodge Chief and Lodge Lay Advisor for APOSA ACHAMOWI Lodge #189. Vigil member of the Order of the Arrow (Founder and First Dancer of the A-SAG-I-WA Interpretive Indian Dancers). One of the first men in the country to hold the highest awards in Scouting: Silver Beaver, St. George Medal (Catholic Scouting); Silver Award (Explorer Scouting); Vigil Honor Member, Scouter's Key, Golden Otter and Service Squirrel. A devoted Catholic and believed in his catholic religion to the fullest. He was a

charter member of the Knights of Columbus Msgr. Ryder Council #4047. and a founding member of Blessed Sacrament Church, where he was past President of the Holy Name Society and a member of the Parish Council, and was an usher at Blessed Sacrament Church since it's founding in 1947. He was a member of St. Helen's Church in Hebron. He was very patriotic and loved our country and it's ideals. He was a Civil War and World War II history buff. He was organizer and Past President of the Jefferson Political and the Peoples Democratic clubs. He was preceded in death by his mother, Diana Starkey, father, Paul Starkey, his Wife, Dorothy, Brother, Joseph Starkey, Sisters, Elsie Pishkur & Helen, Granddaughter, Toni Marie Marrs, Brother-in-Law, Frances Malayter and Son-in-law-Larry Gibson. He is survived by 6 children-Toni (Babe) Starkey of Portage, Patricia Gibson, Mary Ann Starkey both of Hebron, IN, James (Betty) Starkey of Hebron, Paul Starkey, Chesterton, IN and Anthony (Deborah) Starkey of Hebron. 10 Grandchildren-Kerry (Larry) Cates, Wendy (Joe) Drzik, Raymond (Sandy) Wardell, Jay (Holly) Starkey, Rob (Stephanie) Starkey, Kenny Starkey, Kristyn (Matt) Norris, Eric Gibson, Sara Starkey & Matt Starkey, Sister, Eleanor Malayter, Brother- Donald (Mary) Starkey, 13 great-grandchildren, Sister-in-Law- Marge Starkey, Brother-in-law-Tony Pishkur, numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and special cats-Shadow & Smokey. Tony was a loving and caring father, grandfather and great-grandfather who will be greatly missed by his entire family.

Funeral service will be held on Monday, February 4, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

DIRECTLY AT

St. Helen's Catholic Church, 302 N. Madison St., Hebron, IN. Rev. Derrick F. Dudash, officiating. Interment at Calumet Park Cemetery in Merrillville.

Friends may visit with the family on Sunday, February 3, 2008 from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the family. www.burnsfuneral.com

Tribute Wall



“ to the family, very sorry for your loss, Tony did a lot for the Boy Scout program and it would be an honor to display any of his scouting items at the local scout office in Munster, Ind. We must never forget those who made this program great.

John A Beebe Sr

National Committee BSA

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